BANKRUPTCY ABUSE PREVENTION AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT CONFERENCE REPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 333, to amend title 11, United States Code and against its consideration.

TERRORISM RISK PROTECTION ACT CONFERENCE REPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 3210, to ensure the continued financial capacity of insurers to provide coverage for risks from terrorism and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read.

SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF ANY SPECIAL RULE PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OR DISPOSITION OF THE INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION CONFERENCE REPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a resolution waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The resolution applies the waiver to any special rule reported on the legislative day of Thursday, November 14, 2002, providing for consideration or disposition of a conference report to accompany H.R. 4628, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

ARMED FORCES TAX FAIRNESS ACT OF 2002 MOTION TO CONCUR IN SENATE AMENDMENTS WITH AMENDMENTS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for a single motion offered by the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means or his designee that the House concur in each of the Senate amendments to H.R. 5063, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a special rule for members of the uniformed services in determining the exclusion of gain from the sale of a principal residence and to restore the tax exempt status of death gratuity payments to members of the uniformed services with the respective amendment printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying this resolution. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion to concur in the Senate amendments with amendments. The rule provides one hour of debate in the House equally divided and

controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. Finally, the rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the motion to final adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question.

Joint Meetings

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine the economic outlook of the United States, after receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

PORT AND MARITIME SECURITY ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on S. 1214, to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, to establish a program to ensure greater security for United States seaports.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Mary Carlin Yates, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold hearings to examine the current state of national preparedness against terrorism, focusing on the October 2002 Hart-Rudman Terrorism Task Force Report, 2 p.m., SD–226.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Procurement, hearing on the Advisory Panel To Assess Domestic Response Capabilities for Terrorism Involving Weapons of Mass Destruction pending the release of its fourth report, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing titled "Mercury in Dental Amalgams and Vaccines: An Examination of the Science," 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans and the Subcommittee on Environment, Technology and Standards of the Committee on Science, joint hearing on the following bills: H.R. 5395, Aquatic Invasive Species Research Act; and H.R. 5396, National Aquatic Invasive Species Act of 2002, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.